

# EFGCP Annual Conference 2017

## Meeting the Ethical Standards under the Clinical Trials Regulation:

*the Burning Questions (and Answers)  
for Researchers, Sponsors and Patients*



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## Conference Rationale

The Clinical Trial Regulation is now less than 2 years away and if we are to grasp this opportunity to improve research and regulation for patient benefit it is imperative we look together (public, patients, researchers and regulators) at both the procedural requirements of and ethical changes required.

As one of the most important, longstanding, European fora for debate around clinical research, bringing all interested parties together, the European Forum for Good Clinical Practice has taken an active role in the approaching the new CTR ([EFGCP Multi-Stakeholder Workshop & Discussion on How to Ensure Optimal Ethical Review within the New Clinical Trials Regulation](#)? 13<sup>th</sup> April, MCE Conference Centre, Belgium). The 2017 Annual Conference will discuss procedural arrangements already underway and address the ethical challenges that the CTR present, providing opportunity for debate, access to expertise and examples of how these challenges can be met. Workshops with people who can support and help you to solve your problems will be organised.

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Marco Greco	European Patients' Forum, Italy
Andrea Heckenberg	Medical University of Vienna, Austria
Ingrid Klingmann	Pharmaplex, EFGCP, Belgium
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### Conference Language

The language of the Conference will be English.

### Registration & Information

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# Programme

Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017

- 08:15 *Registration and Welcome Coffee*  
09:00 **Welcome**  
*Ingrid Klingmann, Pharmaplex, EFGCP, Belgium*

## PLENARY SESSION 1 WHAT OPPORTUNITIES DOES THE CTR GIVE US TO IMPROVE RESEARCH AND HEALTH?

Chairpersons: *Sini Eskola, European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA), Belgium & Mary Lynne Van Poelgeest, World Federation of Incontinent Patients (WFIP), EFGCP, The Netherlands*

- 09:05 **What is different about the CTR? What are its opportunities?**  
*Anna Chioti, Luxembourg Institute of Health (LIH), Luxembourg*  
09:25 **How can we use CTR to make research and healthcare better?**  
*Marco Greco, European Patients' Forum, Italy*  
09:45 **Current proposals for collaboration between Competent Authorities and RECs**  
*Martin O'Kane, Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), United Kingdom*  
10:05 **Questions & Discussion**  
11:00 *Coffee Break*

## PLENARY SESSION 2 NEW ETHICAL ISSUES RAISED IN THE CLINICAL TRIAL REGULATION

Chairpersons: *Oliver Bisazza, Medtronic, Belgium & Nikos Dedes, Positive Voice & NEAT, Greece*

- 11:30 **Involving lay representation as required by the Regulation: what is their role and how should this be discharged in RECs**  
*Giulio Maria Corbelli, European AIDS Treatment Group (EATG), Italy*  
11:50 **What opportunity does the CTR offer for Research involving pregnant women?**  
*Lode Dewulf, UCB, Doctors Of The World, Belgium*  
12:10 **Emergency research: the continuing challenge and how can we develop a harmonized approach across Europe?**  
*Tom Quinn, Kingston and St George's Joint Faculty, United Kingdom*  
12:30 **Questions & Discussion**  
13:00 *Lunch*

## BREAK-OUT SESSION - WORKSHOPS 1-2-3

- 14:00      **Workshop 1:** **How should RECs work across EU to harmonise review under the CTR?**  
Chair: **Elmar Doppelfeld**, *European Network of Research Ethics Committees (EUREC), Germany*  
Rapporteur: **Hugh Davies**, *Health Research Authority (HRA), United Kingdom*
- Workshop 2:** **Ethical Issues in Low-Intervention Clinical Trials**  
Chair: **Andrea Heckenberg**, *Medical University of Vienna, Austria*  
Rapporteur: **Xavier Carné**, *Hospital Clinic de Barcelona, Spain*
- Workshop 3:** **Ethical Aspects of Risk-Based Monitoring under the new CTR**  
Chair: **Nicky Dodsworth**, *Premier Research, EFGCP, United Kingdom*  
Rapporteur: **Sylvia Lobo**, *Pfizer, United Kingdom*
- 15:30      *Coffee Break*
- 16:00      **Feedback from Workshops 1-2-3**  
Chair: **Jane Lamprill**, *Paediatric Research Consultancy, United Kingdom*

## PLENARY SESSION 3 THE JOSEPH HOET LECTURE ON ETHICS IN CLINICAL RESEARCH

Chairperson: **Ingrid Klingmann**, *Pharmaplex, EFGCP, Belgium*

- 16:30      **Ethical Performance under the Clinical Trial Regulation**  
**Ernst Singer**, *Medical University of Vienna, Austria*

- 17:00      EFGCP Annual General Meeting (for EFGCP Members)  
18:30      EFGCP Annual Conference Social Event

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## Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

- 08:30      *Welcome Coffee*

## PLENARY SESSION 4 CONSIDERATIONS ON TRANSPARENCY, CONSENT AND THE CTR

Chairperson & moderator: **Heather Sampson**, *University of Toronto, Office of Research Michael Garron Hospital, Canada*

- 09:00      **Transparency: how it will affect research involving drugs and devices**  
**Bill Davidson**, *Health Research Authority (HRA), United Kingdom*

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- 09:20 Questions & Discussion
- 09:30 **Oxford Debate on: Clinical Trial Regulation will add little to help medicines research, promote patient rights or improve our health; it will be a barrier rather than a solution.**  
**For the motion:** *Greg Koski, Alliance for Clinical Research Excellence and Safety (ACRES), Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, USA*  
**Against the motion:** *Hugh Davies, Health Research Authority (HRA), United Kingdom*
- 10:20 Summary
- 10:30 *Coffee Break*

**BREAK-OUT SESSION - WORKSHOPS4-5-6**

- 11:00 **Workshop 4: What does CTR mean for the constitution and proper working of RECs?**  
Chair: *Jozef Glasa, Slovak Medical University/Institute of Medical Ethics & Bioethics, EFGCP, Slovakia*  
Rapporteur: *Ingrid Klingmann, Pharmaplex, EFGCP, Belgium*
- Workshop 5: Writing lay summaries for drugs and devices research**  
Chair: *Kerstin Breithaupt-Grögler, -kbr- Clinical Pharmacology Services, Germany*  
Rapporteur: *Thomas Schindler, BoehringerIngelheim, Germany*
- Workshop 6: CTR and the vulnerable: focus on people with Alzheimer's Disease**  
Chair: *Dianne Gove, Alzheimer Europe, Luxembourg*  
Rapporteur: *Marianne Maman, Novartis Pharma, Switzerland*
- 12:30 *Lunch*
- 13:30 **Feedback from Workshops 4-5-6**  
Chair: *Paul Strickland, Strickland Quality Assurance, EFGCP, United Kingdom*

**PLENARY SESSION 5**

**DESIGNING THE FUTURE OF THE CLINICAL TRIAL**

**Chairpersons:** *Beat Widler, Widler&Schieman, Alliance for Clinical Research Excellence and Safety (ACRES), Switzerland & Joanna Robaczewska, EUPATI Fellow, Hasselt University, Belgium*

- 14:00 **CTR and radical new concepts in treatments: is the CTR help or hindrance? Changing models of research and the CTR: how do we "futureproof" regulations and provide flexibility so we don't hinder innovative treatment drug developments**  
*Anastassia Negrouk, European Organisation for Research & Treatment of Cancer (EORTC), Belgium*
- 14.20 **CTR and adaptive study design: flexibility should be the key**  
*Susan Forda, Lilly, EFPIA Scientific Regulatory and Manufacturing Policy Committee European, United Kingdom*
- 14:40 **Europe, the CTR and research across the globe: fit for purpose?**  
*Greg Koski, Alliance for Clinical Research Excellence and Safety (ACRES), Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, USA*
- 15:00 Questions & Discussion
- 15:30 Summary & Conclusions from the Conference: **Using the CTR to make us better.**
- 15:40 End of the Conference